

**PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION MEETING
EXAMINING BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS,
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, AND LAND SURVEYORS
MINUTES
APRIL 13, 2006**

PRESENT: Lynda Farrar, Charles Kopplin, Martin Hanson, and Nancy Sobczak

STAFF PRESENT: Tim Wellnitz, Bureau Director, Colleen Baird, Legal Counsel; Nicole Goodman, Bureau Assistant; Credentialing Staff, and Division of Enforcement Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Lynda Farrar, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. A quorum of four members was present.

AGENDA

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2, 2006

Amendments to the Minutes:

- Page 10 Correct the spelling of Lynda Farrar's name.
- Page 14 Amend a motion that appeared in the draft minutes to read:

The Section does not accept the test scores of the four candidates from the January 30, 2006 NCEES report questioning the score validity. The section proposed to offer the four candidates the ability to retake the exam within 2 years with no fee for the examination to the candidates. Furthermore, candidates will be required to take the exam in individual rooms with proctor supervision.

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to approve the minutes of February 2, 2006 as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT
TIM WELLNITZ, BUREAU DIRECTOR**

Mr. Wellnitz informed the Section of the changes in the Department's staff.

Summary Reports on Pending Court Cases, Disciplinary Cases and Administrative Rules and Press Releases

Noted.

Discussion of August 10, 2006 Meeting Date

The Section asked Mr. Wellnitz to add this to the next agenda for further discussion.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS BY DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT

None.

LEGISLATIVE/ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

LRB-2642/1 443.09(6) Exam Review Elimination

The A-E Joint Board has approved of this bill draft and Martin Hanson is working to obtain a co-sponsor.

LRB-2643/1 443.09(4) Exam Requirement

The A-E Joint Board has approved of this bill draft and Martin Hanson is working to obtain a co-sponsor.

LRB-4004/1 Continuing Education Enabling Legislation

The A-E Joint Board approved of the draft and they requested that the Department work to move this legislation forward. The Board also appointed Rick Van Goethem to represent the Board on this legislation.

EDUCATION/EXAMINATION

None.

CREDENTIALING

Discussion of Application Review Procedure

The Section and staff discussed some possible alternatives for reviewing applications. The items discussed included the appointment of a credentialing liaison, moving the A-E Joint Board meeting to coincide with the Engineer Section meetings that have the most applications, and allowing the section members to come in the day before the meeting to review applications. Mr. Wellnitz will be adding this topic to the next meeting agenda for further discussion.

Discussion of Reference Letters and Application Forms

The Section has requested that credentialing staff send all incomplete applications back to the applicant. Martin Hanson will be drafting a new reference form with Jan Bobholz, which will be presented at the next meeting. The Section requested that Mr. Wellnitz add the employment verification forms to the next agenda for further discussion.

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to have the Department of Regulation and Licensing staff review applications and those not in substantial conformance with required forms be rejected by staff. Motion carried unanimously.

Board Position on the Washington Accord

The Section will continue with individual evaluations.

Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Haroon M. Sheikh

Haroon M. Sheikh appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding the denial of his application for Engineer in Training. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Steven Schmelling

Steven Schmelling appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding the denial of his application for the Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Mark Wilfert

Mark Wilfert appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding the denial of his application for the Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Signe Reichelt

Signe Reichelt appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding the denial of his application for the Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

Appearance for a Class I Hearing – Atif M. Sheikh

Atif M. Sheikh appeared before the Section to provide additional information regarding the denial of his application for the Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

PRACTICE ISSUES

Discussion-Certificate Requirements of A-E 2.02(8)(b)

The Section is considering issuing an opinion related to the signing and sealing issue for Land Surveyors and Professional Engineers in public contracts. They reviewed feedback from the Department of Transportation and Colleen Baird's draft position paper. The Section will be submitting their comments to Colleen Baird and a new draft will be provided at the next section meeting.

Electronic Signing and Sealing

The Section viewed Florida's method to use the latest signature verification software to sign and seal electronic transmittals.

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to have the Department prepare a scope statement concerning electronic signing and sealing for engineers drawings and reports. Motion carried unanimously.

TRAVEL

NCEES WESTERN AND CENTRAL ZONE JOINT MEETING JUNE 1-3, 2006

Mr. Wellnitz will add the NCEES annual meeting on the next agenda.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Addition to next agenda:

- Practice issues that have to do with responsible charge

SECTION MEMBER ACTIVITY

None.

VISITORS COMMENTS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Charles Kopplin moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.; to consider licensure or discipline (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.; to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.; and, to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats. Motion carried by roll call vote: Lynda Farrar-yes, Charles Kopplin-yes, Martin Hanson-yes; Nancy Sobczak-yes.

Open Session recessed at 1:40 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to reconvene into Open Session at 2:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION, IF VOTING IS APPROPRIATE

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING

WESLEY PATTON

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to deny **Wesley Patton's** petition for rehearing. Motion carried unanimously.

ANDREW ZALUCKI

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to deny **Andrew Zalucki's** petition for rehearing. Motion carried unanimously.

DELIBERATION ON CLASS 1 HEARINGS

HAROON M SHEIKH

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to approve **Haroon M. Sheikh's** application for EIT. Motion carried unanimously.

STEVEN SCHMELLING

MOTION: Charles Kopplin moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Steven Schmelling's** request for eligibility for the Principles and Practices of Engineering examination in October given by NCEES and he must provide a letter proving employment up to September 1, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

MARK WILFERT

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to deny **Mark Wilfert's** request to sit for the Principles and Practices of Engineering examination. Motion carried unanimously.

SIGNE REICHELT

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Signe Reichelt's** application for the Principles and Practices of Engineering examination. Motion carried unanimously.

ATIF M. SHEIKH

MOTION: Charles Kopplin moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to approve **Atif M. Sheikh's** application for the Principles and Practices of Engineering examination. Motion carried. Lynda Farrar opposed.

REINSTATEMENT REQUESTS

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to deny Jon Graf, Roger Niemann, Natalie Karney, and Daniel Manierd's request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

TANVEER RIZUI

MOTION: Charles Kopplin moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to deny Tanveer Rizui request for reinstatement as a professional engineer and refer the applicant and references, if licensed in Wisconsin, to DOE and send a letter to the Texas regulation body. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to approve Kenneth Shappley, Gary Erickson, Bruce Paul Konkel, Donald Olson, Stephan Verseman, Gregory Sorge, and Jae Yangko's request for reinstatement as a professional engineer. Motion carried. Lynda Farrar opposed.

APPLICATION REVIEW

APPLICATIONS REVIEWED ON APRIL 12, 2006

The Section took the following action on applications:

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to accept the approved applications and to deny the denied applications for the exam that were reviewed and signed on April 12, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Martin Hanson, to have the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing contact the Illinois Licensing Board and inform them that we received a document from Mr. Kramer with two expired stamps. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Martin Hanson moved, seconded by Nancy Sobczak, to have Lynda Farrar sign a letter written by Colleen Baird to inform Mr. Klipstein of the inappropriate use of the term Professional Engineer. Motion carried unanimously.

FOR REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

1. By 16 Hour Written Examination

a. Granted

1. Dorner, Kevin D
2. Galicia, Arturo A

2. By Approved Degree Plus 8 Years Experience

a. Granted

1. Garven, Dennis J
2. Jones, Matthew D
3. Keck, Donald H
4. Kirsch, Kevin J
5. Ksontini, Najoua
6. Lisse, Gail M
7. Nowakowski, Christopher
8. Pietsch, Chris K
9. Rabe, Tammy A
10. Radloff, Jon S
11. Schroeder, David T
12. Schulz, George R
13. Shana, Reena A
14. Stevenson, David J
15. Tally, RC
16. Vitrano, James B
17. Vydrzal, Richard
18. Yahnke, Reiny R

b. Deny

1. Adams, Angela M
2. Freymiller, Otley D
3. Fritzscheier, Todd W
4. Gitter, Michael L
5. Guede, Thomas A
6. Guptail, Andrea
7. Janke, Thomas
8. Kopacz, Karl S
9. Larson, Brandon J
10. Lenters, Mark S
11. Luttenegger, Terry B
12. Nichols, Stephen S
13. Robbins, Christian P
14. Stinolis, Joseph G
15. Swedenborg, Craig J
16. Valle, Philip J
17. Weikert, Scott A
18. Welton, Kenneth R
19. Zembroski, Jason P

FOR PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING EXAMINATION

a. Granted

1. Bliefernicht, Timothy S
2. Brown, Jon M
3. Coleman, Michael P
4. Gonyer, Corrie S
5. Gutknecht, Paul R
6. Kotowski, Gerald V
7. Morrissey, James F
8. Yi, Li
9. Jingcheng, Wu

b. Denied

1. Hall, Steven A
2. Murphy, Matthew M

EXAMINATION ISSUES

None.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Nancy Sobczak moved, seconded by Charles Kopplin, to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Professional Engineer Section Meeting: June 15, 2006